

The Massachusetts Drug Analysis Laboratory in Jamaica Plain recently received a large number of tablets that were suspected to contain MDMA. Upon analysis however, the tablets were found to contain benzylpiperazine. Of further interest was the appearance of different logos on the tablets and that there were at least 10 different seizures of these tablets in eastern Massachusetts. The laboratory has not encountered tablets containing benzylpiperazine prior to these incidents. Confirmation was performed by GC/MS with the tablets also containing caffeine. More than 2800 tablets were seized in Boston with 3 different logos including pink fish, pink air Jordan, and purple silhouette tablets. More than 500 other tablets seized outside of Boston included white fish, pink teddy bears, light blue teddy bears and blue air Jordan logos.

